IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE re U.S. Patent Application of KATAGIRI et al. **Unit 2812** Application Number: 10/081,212 **Examiner** Filed: February 25, 2002 Roman, Angel For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE **ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. NITT.0063 Honorable Assistant Commissioner** for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

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[x] Amendment/Response	[] Petition for month Extension of Time
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[] Information Disclosure Statement	[x] Letter to Draftsperson
[] Preliminary Amendment	[x] 2 pages of drawings

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